

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

NEYEMBO MIKANDA,

CASE NO. 3:24-cv-05476-JHC

Plaintiff,

ORDER

V.

JAPAN-UNITED STATES FRIENDSHIP
COMMISSION,

Defendant.

This matter comes before the Court sua sponte.

Parties filing actions in the United States District Court must pay filing fees. 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a). *See LCR 3(b)* (explaining that a “party must pay the Civil Filing Fee when it files . . . any civil action except for proceedings [IFP]”). An action may proceed without the immediate payment of a filing fee only for parties proceeding IFP. *See 28 U.S.C. § 1915*. Failure to pay the filing fee results in dismissal without prejudice of the action. *See Olivares v. Marshall*, 59 F.3d 109, 112 (9th Cir. 1995) (district court properly dismissed without prejudice complaint for failure to pay filing fee).

1 On June 14, 2024, Plaintiff filed their proposed complaint. Dkt. # 1. The same day, the
2 Clerk of the Court sent Plaintiff a notice stating that Plaintiff had not met the filing fee
3 requirement. Dkt. # 3. The Clerk explained that Plaintiff must either pay the \$405.00 filing fee
4 or submit an application to proceed IFP by July 15, 2024. *Id.* The Clerk warned that “[f]ailure
5 to do so may affect the status of your case, including dismissal of the action by the Court.” *Id.*
6 To date, Plaintiff has not complied with this directive. *See generally* Dkt.

7 Accordingly, this action is DISMISSED without prejudice for failure to either pay the
8 applicable filing fee of \$405.00 or submit an IFP application.

9 Dated this 18th day of July, 2024.

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13 United States District Judge
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